

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-9. (Canceled)

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising a first communication apparatus and a second communication apparatus, wherein the first communication apparatus comprises:

reception means for receiving transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the second communication apparatus from the second communication apparatus;

first control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with a predetermined control pattern before the first communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

second control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the first communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information, and the second communication apparatus comprises:

transmission means for transmitting the transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the second communication apparatus to the first communication apparatus.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:

reception means for receiving transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in another communication apparatus;

first control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with a predetermined control pattern before the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

second control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information.

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) The communication apparatus as claimed in claim 11, wherein the predetermined control pattern is a pattern for increasing transmission power step by step.

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) The communication apparatus as claimed in claim 12, wherein the predetermined control pattern is a pattern for increasing the transmission power to a predetermined value, and subsequently, less rapidly increasing the transmission power.

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising a first communication apparatus and a second communication apparatus, wherein the first communication apparatus comprises:

first transmission means for transmitting transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the first communication apparatus to the second communication apparatus; and

second transmission means for transmitting information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the second communication apparatus to the second communication apparatus, and

the second communication apparatus comprises:

first reception means for receiving the transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the first communication apparatus from the first communication apparatus;

control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the second communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

second reception means for receiving the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power from the first communication apparatus, and

the control means sets an initial value of transmission power in accordance with the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power and carries out the transmission power control.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) The communication system as claimed in claim 14, wherein the first transmission means transmits a predetermined pattern as [[the]] transmission power control information for controlling the transmission power of the second communication apparatus instead of the transmission power control information based on SIR measurement results before the first communication apparatus becomes able to synchronize with a signal from the second communication apparatus.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:

first reception means for receiving transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in another communication apparatus;

control means for carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

second reception means for receiving information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the communication apparatus,

wherein the control means sets an initial value of transmission power in accordance with the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power and carries out the transmission power control.

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:

first transmission means for transmitting transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the communication apparatus to another communication apparatus; and

second transmission means for transmitting information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the another communication apparatus to said another communication apparatus,

wherein the first transmission means transmits a predetermined pattern as [[the]] transmission power control information for controlling the transmission power of the another communication apparatus instead of the transmission power control information based on SIR

measurement results before said communication apparatus becomes able to synchronize with a signal from said another communication apparatus.

Claim 18. (Previously Presented) The communication apparatus as claimed in claim 17, further comprising means for varying the predetermined pattern.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) A communication method at a communication system comprising a first communication apparatus and a second communication apparatus, comprising:

a transmission step of transmitting, at the second communication apparatus, transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the second communication apparatus to the first communication apparatus;

a first control step of carrying out, at the first communication apparatus, transmission power control in accordance with a predetermined control pattern before the first communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information;

a reception step of receiving, at the first communication apparatus, the transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the second communication apparatus from the second communication apparatus; and

a second control step of carrying out, at the first communication apparatus, transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the first communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information.

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) A communication method at a communication apparatus, comprising:

a reception step of receiving transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in another communication apparatus from the another communication apparatus;

a first control step of carrying out transmission power control in accordance with a predetermined control pattern before the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

a second control step of carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information.

Claim 21. (Currently Amended) A communication method at a communication system comprising a first communication apparatus and a second communication apparatus, comprising:

a first transmission step of transmitting, at the first communication apparatus, transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the first communication apparatus to the second communication apparatus;

a second transmission step of transmitting, at the first communication apparatus, information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the second communication apparatus to the second communication apparatus;

a first reception step of receiving, at the second communication apparatus, the transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the first communication apparatus from the first communication apparatus;

a second reception step of receiving, at the second communication apparatus, the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power from the first communication apparatus; and

a control step of carrying out, at the second communication apparatus, transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the second communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information,

wherein the control step sets an initial value of transmission power in accordance with the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power and carries out the transmission power control.

Claim 22. (Currently Amended) The communication method as claimed in claim 21, wherein the first transmission step transmits a predetermined pattern as the transmission power control information for controlling the transmission power of the second communication apparatus instead of the transmission power control information based on SIR measurement results before the first communication apparatus becomes able to synchronize with a signal from the second communication apparatus.

Claim 23. (Currently Amended) A communication method at a communication apparatus, comprising:

a first reception step of receiving transmission power control information which is based

on SIR measurement results in another communication apparatus;

a control step of carrying out transmission power control in accordance with the transmission power control information after the communication apparatus becomes able to receive the transmission power control information; and

a second reception step of receiving information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the communication apparatus,

wherein the control step sets an initial value of transmission power in accordance with the information regarding the initial value of the transmission power and carries out the transmission power control.

Claim 24. (Currently Amended) A communication method at a first communication apparatus, comprising:

a first transmission step of transmitting transmission power control information which is based on SIR measurement results in the first communication apparatus to a second communication apparatus; and

a second transmission step of transmitting information regarding an initial value of transmission power of the second communication apparatus to the second communication apparatus,

wherein the first transmission step transmits a predetermined pattern as [[the]] transmission power control information for controlling the transmission power of the second communication apparatus instead of the transmission power control information based on SIR

measurement results before the first communication apparatus becomes able to synchronize with a signal from the second communication apparatus.